

# EXHIBIT 5

FLONES v. BEAUMONT HEALTH SYSTEM

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1 to arrive.

2 Q. Did Melissa tell you that she was utilizing the  
3 Hippocrates app?

4 A. I showed Melissa the document that the patient had  
5 completed and Melissa said to me that -- I forget her  
6 exact words but I believe she said to me I was not  
7 texting. I believe the patient's written complaint  
8 was that -- and she named Melissa by name -- that she  
9 was texting or using her cell phone.

10 And Melissa said to me that she was looking  
11 up something related to a friend of hers who had a  
12 specific disease pathology.

13 Q. Did she tell you she was looking up a type of seizure,  
14 does that ring a bell?

15 A. That does not ring a bell, no.

16 Q. Did she tell you she was utilizing her Hippocrates app  
17 on her phone?

18 A. I do not remember if she told me that or not.

19 Q. Do you know what that is?

20 A. I do know what that is.

21 Q. Okay. And are CRNA's allowed to access Hippocrates  
22 while in the surgical area?

23 A. It is my understanding that every institution has  
24 their own set of policies and procedures. I did not  
25 allow personal cell phone use, text messaging,

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1 personal phone calls.

2 Q. Would you allow using a medical application like  
3 Hippocrates to look up some medical issue or a point  
4 related to their job duties?

5 A. I believe that when we discussed this as staff I  
6 expressed my concern that you cannot be attentive and  
7 monitoring your patient if you were looking up and not  
8 assessing your monitors or just physically assessing  
9 your patient. So I don't remember whether I endorsed  
10 it or denied its use.

11 Q. Were you aware it went on?

12 A. Was I aware -- I was aware because Melissa told me she  
13 was using her personal device in this case.

14 Q. Were you aware that medical students were allowed to  
15 utilize their PDA's and utilize Hippocrates, CRNA  
16 students?

17 A. I was faculty at Wayne State and a primary clinical  
18 site was Beaumont Grosse Pointe and I did also for  
19 Oakland University and I did not allow that by the  
20 students.

21 Q. Were you aware of whether or not that occurred at Bon  
22 Secours?

23 A. I do not recall ever seeing that by the students.

24 Q. Okay. Did you ever write anyone else up for utilizing  
25 their phone or a PDA in the surgical area other than

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1 Q. All right. Let's talk about your discussion with  
2 Ms. Demario.

3 How did that come about? How did she tell  
4 you that Melissa had I guess complained to  
5 Mr. Cardeccia?

6 A. I believe Ms. Demario came into my office and told me  
7 exactly that.

8 Q. Okay. Did she tell you that Melissa was complaining  
9 that you said that she was too old to continue to work  
10 and that in connection with this conversation  
11 regarding her not helping out the people with the long  
12 shifts?

13 A. I do not remember Ms. Demario having that dialogue  
14 with me. It was strictly related to the statement  
15 that Mr. Reim had --

16 Q. Okay.

17 A. -- that Melissa had said that he had made.

18 Q. Did anyone ever ask you if you said that before I just  
19 asked you earlier? Did Mr. Cardeccia, did  
20 Ms. Demario, did anyone ever say to you did you say to  
21 Ms. Flones that she was too old to continue working,  
22 or words to that effect?

23 A. I do not remember. I do not remember them telling me  
24 that Melissa had said that.

25 Q. Okay. Did Ms. Demario tell you that Melissa had

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1           complained about Sue Winay?

2    A.    I do not remember if Ms. Demario and I had a  
3           conversation specifically related to Melissa  
4           complaining about Susan Winay.

5    Q.    Did you and Ms. Demario have any conversation about  
6           Sue Winay and the way she talked?

7    A.    Any conversation meaning what?

8    Q.    Well, did anyone ever ask you if Ms. Winay said I'm  
9           sick of all these hormonal women, we need to get rid  
10          of you fuckers, if I had a nine-millimeter I would  
11          take someone out?

12   A.    Yes, Ms. Demario did -- it was either Ms. Demario or  
13          Therese Farhat, who was the legal counsel at the time  
14          for Beaumont Grosse Pointe, and I believe that was  
15          when Melissa had the meeting with Brian and Judy.

16   Q.    Okay. So somebody came to you and said did you hear  
17          this, right?

18   A.    Yes, and I believe my answer was no and I did not hear  
19          Ms. Winay saying those words.

20   Q.    Okay. Did anyone follow that up and say have any I  
21          guess general questions to you regarding Ms. Winay,  
22          does she talk like this, is she threatening, what does  
23          she talk like?

24   A.    I believe that -- I cannot remember the exact  
25          conversation at all. I do know the Melissa worked

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1 with Ms. Demario and Brian outside of me being in that  
2 picture. So I do not know the dialogue they had about  
3 Ms. Winay. During those conversations I was not  
4 involved.

5 Q. I understand that, but did anyone follow up those  
6 conversations --

7 A. I don't know if Ms. Demario -- excuse me, I started  
8 talking when you weren't finished.

9 I do not know if Ms. Demario followed up on  
10 that. I was not told to follow up on anything. I was  
11 told that they were meeting with Melissa.

12 Q. Okay. So I understand, you knew that Melissa had met  
13 with them, right?

14 A. That's correct.

15 Q. And you knew that one of the things Melissa had told  
16 them was that this Mr. Reim was out there saying  
17 allegedly that you were out to get her, that you were  
18 going to get rid of her and Mr. Gaspar, right?

19 A. I -- those weren't the exact words, but yes.

20 Q. Okay. And you also knew that following that meeting  
21 they asked you if you heard Sue Winay make this  
22 comment that I just repeated?

23 A. I believe that that is true and I had answered no.

24 Q. Right.

25 A. And then they told me that they were working with the

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1 administer blood without it being a violation of the  
2 standard of practice?

3 A. Not necessarily. It's not -- it's a collaborative  
4 decision. I don't know how better to describe it.

5 Q. Collaborative between who?

6 A. The physician anesthesiologist who's medically  
7 directing us and the surgeon. In my six-and-a-half  
8 years at Beaumont Grosse Pointe, I have never seen a  
9 decision made unilaterally by one or the other. They  
10 agree upon that decision in an elective environment as  
11 this was.

12 Q. Elective because it's an elective surgery or elective  
13 because it's elective whether or not to give the  
14 blood?

15 A. Both.

16 Q. Okay. There was a circulator that actually called it  
17 in and brought the blood, correct?

18 A. As far as I know, correct.

19 Q. Do you remember who the circulator was?

20 A. I have no idea.

21 Q. Did anyone ever talk to the circulator?

22 A. I don't think so. I'm not sure if Melissa and  
23 Mr. Cardeccia did.

24 Q. You're right. That was a bad question.

25 Did you talk to the circulator?



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1 more than one room at any given time, correct?

2 A. That is correct.

3 Q. How many rooms?

4 A. Up to four.

5 Q. All right. And is the MDA required to be in those  
6 rooms?

7 A. No, he's required to medically direct up to four  
8 operating rooms staffed by nurse anesthetists.

9 Q. Okay. And are there times when that requires the MDA  
10 to actually go into various rooms?

11 A. It does.

12 Q. Okay. In this case, if the MDA is not immediately  
13 available and there's a need for a blood product does  
14 the standard of practice require you to wait until you  
15 get ahold of that person or are there circumstances  
16 that you can envision where merely the consent of the  
17 surgeon is sufficient to administer the blood product?

18 A. Our standard of practice at Beaumont Grosse Pointe the  
19 anesthesiologist and the nurse anesthetists have their  
20 own Spectralink phones so there's virtually not a time  
21 that we can't get ahold. I have called physicians who  
22 have been medically directing me that have been busy  
23 and was instructed to call another physician if the  
24 situation warranted it if it was something that  
25 couldn't wait, et cetera.